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Dear Oliver,

Your card of the 19came came today, your Tuesday's letter yesterday. Just a note of thanks for all your time and trouble before I get to other accumulated work that stacked up while I was drafting a long affidavit, now done.

A Washington hifi shop ran some specials this weekend. One is an Akai at $239 plus tax. Same number but without the Mark II at the end, so I suppose it is a superceded modeal. However, it also has Dolby and in the cut looks to be identical. My lawyer/friend Jim Lesar was going to try to pick one up for me this weekend. I'll see him Thursday, when we are in court if he does not come up with his wife and kid tomorrow to take in the georgeous fall colots to the leaves that soon will be droppinng.

I'll let you know if I get it and of course I'll be getting interested in tapes.

Those casettes have done more than give me pleasure. And my wife. I have a neighbor who is a vet and had to retire because of arthritis. He is my age and we grew up to the same music. So each time I tape some jazz on a TDK cassette I have the one that is not as good and I take them to him. The joys get around, so thanks.

I got a package from Policoff yesterday and it appears to have the transcript. I'll be too busy, as I told Policoff, which may account for his not sending it sooner, to read the transcript right now. I'll probably take it for the bus trip both ways Thursday. I'll write you afterward.

The quotation marks around Lane's name I noticed, so I suppose you have begun to learn what in time the Rays will. Be careful and be prepared for any misinterpretation of anything of the past, including the recent past.

It is possible your records are being processed now. If they are and I get them you can have copies. If not I'll send a release form out. If there are extensive withholdings after I get the records we can still use the release. I'll learn the situation as soon as I can.

I doubt the committee will want to put you on in public and give you a chance to repeat with that forum what you have already said about Baetz. But I think you'll do well to maintain a low profile and hope it will blow over fast so you can get back to making a living. Hope you find a good Xmas item.

Just had a call from the director of FOIA appeals at DJ. He is home sick and might not be able to get something written up on a case by the time the judge wants it. I asked him about this. He said it would probably be better to file a waiver. It does not require any special form but it does have to be notarized. You give your name, age, address, place of birth and Social Security number and then you say this authorizes the FBI to give me copies of any and all records on or about you, wherever and however filed and of whatever form. If you do it in longhand I'll send you a copy to save you the trouble of getting it xeroxed. I'll also send you copies of whatever I get.

Also heard from the lawyer. He has the Akai. It is a superceded model, which does not bother me a bit, but not with Dolby. Add in error.

Good luck on a item to sell-